GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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PRODUCTION OF PETROCHEMICALS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for the production of petrochemicals and achievements made during the Tenth Five Year Plan, year-wise;

(b) whether the Government has taken steps to increase the production of petrochemicals; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI B.K.HANDIQUE)

(a): The projected Compounded Annual rate of Growth (CARG) of petrochemicals during the Tenth Five Year Plan was 11% and actual growth achieved has been 6% (CARG). The details of the production of the major petrochemicals year-wise during the tenth Five Year Plan are as follows:

PRODUCTION (000' MT)

Major Petrochemicals	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Syntehtic Fibres / Yarn	1755	1868	1875	1906	2244
Polymers	4175	4499	4776	4768	5183
Elastomers (Synthetic Rubbers)	82	87	97	110	101
Synth. Detergent Intermed.	447	453	488	555	556
Performance Plastics	95	99	113	127	133
Total Major Petrochemicals	6554	7006	7349	7466	8217

(b) and (c): Petrochemical sector is de-licensed and de-regulated. Policy of the Government is to promote investments in the petrochemical sector.

During XI Plan Period the following petrochemical projects are in pipeline:

In Million Metric Tonnes

Company	Feed Stock	2005-06 Existing Ethylene Capacity	Proposed Estimated Ethylene Capacity	Investment
GAIL, Pata (Expansion)	Gas	0.30	0.40	Rs.650 Crore

HPL, Haldia
(Expansion) Naphtha 0.52 0.67 Rs.650 Crore

IOC, Panipat
(New) Gas/ Naphtha 0 0.80 Rs.16,000 Crore

GAIL, Assam
(New) Gas/ Naphtha 0 0.22 Rs.5460 Crore

RIL, Jamnagar
(New) Refinery off
gases 0 2.00 Rs.13,500 Crore

ONGC, Dahej
(New) LNG/ Naphtha 0 1.50 Rs.14,000 Crore

Total 0.82 5.59 Rs.50,260 Crore

Net addition to Ethylene Capacity is projected to be 4.77 Million Metric Tonnes in the XIth Plan.